

F-7-96

Idle Wild; Burgee-England Farmstead  
Urbana vicinity  
Private

Ca. 1825-1930

The farmstead known as Idle Wild since 1885 was probably established as early as about 1825 with a two-story log dwelling which is now the rear wing of the main house. The current principal section was built in 1897 and is a frame building with five bays and a one-story porch with a polygonal bay on the north end. A serious fire in 1989 caused considerable interior alteration, which included the gutting and revelation of the log structure of the wing and a modern addition on the west end of the wing. In spite of these changes, the house still retains german siding on most of its exterior. The farmstead also has a stone meathouse/dairy building, a frame and stone bank barn built in 1895, a wagon shed/corn crib, a hog barn and a chicken house, and a concrete block garage, a dairy barn, and a milk house. The farmstead is significant for its illustration of continuous agricultural use and development over the period 1825 to about 1930 and the variety of architectural types represented in the log, stone, frame, and concrete block buildings. The functional vernacular design of the early 19th century is clearly shown with late 19th century Queen Anne and Stick Style refinements in both the dwelling and the agricultural buildings. Singleton Burgee purchased the property from Thomas Worthington in 1835 and in 1869, his widow Jane devised it to Mary Ellen England. Named Idle Wild by her son Walter A. England in 1885, the farm has remained in the England family to the present.

F-7-96  
Idle Wild  
Urbana  
Frederick County

HISTORIC CONTEXT:

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Geographic Organization: Piedmont  
(Harford, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery  
Counties, and Baltimore City)

Chronological/Development Period:  
Agricultural-Industrial Transition, A.D. 1815-1870  
Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930  
Agriculture

Prehistoric/Historic Period Themes:  
Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Community Planning

Resource Type:

Category: Building

Historic Environment: Rural

Historic Function & Use:  
Domestic/single dwelling/residence  
Domestic/secondary structure/other dependencies  
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/barn  
Agriculture/subsistence/animal facility/chicken coop  
Agriculture/subsistence/storage/granary

Known Design Source: None

# Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF  
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☒ no

## 1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Idle Wild (preferred); Burgee-England Farmstead

and/or common

## 2. Location

street & number 3460 Big Woods Road ☐ not for publicationcity, town Urbana ☒ vicinity of congressional district 6th

state Maryland county Frederick

## 3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	<b>Public Acquisition</b>	<b>Accessible</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> other:

## 4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Helen L. England

street &amp; number 3460 Big Woods Road telephone no.:

city, town Ijamsville state and zip code MD 21754

## 5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Frederick County Courthouse liber 947

street &amp; number 100 W. Patrick Street folio 139

city, town Frederick state MD 21701

## 6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title MHT Inventory of Historic Properties F-7-96

date 1977 ☐ federal ☒ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records Md. SHPO

city, town Crownsville state MD

## 7. Description

Survey No. F-7-96

<b>Condition</b>		<b>Check one</b>	<b>Check one</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved      date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

CONTRIBUTING RESOURCE COUNT: 9

Idle Wild is an agricultural complex centered on a two-story frame dwelling built in 1897 with a log rear wing possibly built about 1825-1835, and its associated outbuildings dating from about 1830 to 1940 including a frame and stone bank barn, a stone dairy/meathouse, a frame chicken house, a concrete block garage, a frame wagon shed/corn crib, a frame hog barn, and a concrete block dairy barn and milk house. The farmstead is located on the east side of Big Woods Road about 1/2 mile south of the intersection of Fingerboard Road near Urbana, Frederick County, Maryland. The principal elevation of the house faces northeast and the outbuildings are arranged to the west, south and east of the dwelling. The property is still an active dairy farm. Dates for the buildings are based on architectural details, early 20th century historical accounts, England family information, historical maps, and land records.

The frame section of the dwelling has german siding and a modern composition roof, a replacement of the original slate roof which was damaged in a fire in 1989 which also resulted in considerable interior alterations to the interior of both sections of the house. The northeast elevation has five bays with a center cross gable and a one-story porch with Tuscan columns and a concrete deck. An off-center interior brick chimney originally had a matching chimney which was removed during the rehabilitation after the fire. The window sash is 2/2 with plain architraves. The original louvred shutters have been removed. The center gable has a 1/1 window and a vergeboard ornament resembling a crossbow. The central doorway has a transom and sidelights with bull's-eye corner details. The door has four panels. The south elevation of the house has a single bay with 2/2 windows. The north elevation has a polygonal gable end with a hipped roof. The windows in the bay are 1/1. The two-story log wing extends from the rear of the house toward the southwest and has a modern extension on the westernmost end, added after the fire. The extension has vinyl siding. The wing originally had a two-story open porch on the south side which was also remodeled after the fire. It now has an enclosed first story. The north elevation of the wing has a one-story porch, an alteration made after 1989 which replaced a gable-roofed entry porch. Most windows in the wing are also 2/2, except in the new addition.

The interior of the house is considerably altered in surface finishes because of the 1989 fire and subsequent water damage. The frame section has a center hall with an enlarged archway to the south parlor, the most severely damaged part. The room has a new brick fireplace, drywall, and a new hardwood floor over the original floor. The staircase in the center hall has a scroll-sawn closer detail. The rear wing was completely gutted as part of the rehabilitation in 1989, exposing the log structure which had been covered by diagonal lath and plaster. The current generation of the England family was unaware of the log structure before the remodeling and elected to remove the center partition wall and winding original staircase, leaving the logs in view, and built a relocated fireplace and stairway. The kitchen addition opens directly into the single space created in the log section.

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## 8. Significance

Survey No. F-7-96

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Ca. 1930

Specific dates C. 1825-1835, 1895 Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D  
and/orApplicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ GLevel of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Idle Wild exemplifies the development of the farmstead from the period about 1825 to 1930 in the structural materials, the vernacular style of its buildings, and the variety of outbuildings which show the progression of agriculture from general grain crops and livestock to the predominance of dairy production. The earliest structures are the present log wing of the dwelling and the stone meathouse/dairy, both of which may have been built about 1825-1830. Land records state that on December 2, 1826, James Riggs resided on the 185.5 acres transferred in 1835 from Thomas Worthington (of John) to Singleton Burgee. Although most of the interior material of the log structure was removed during the 1989 rehabilitation of the house after a fire, the north elevation of the wing as shown in 1977 survey photographs exhibited the appearance of a typical log dwelling of the second quarter of the 19th century with wood siding over the logs. The two-room stone meathouse and dairy combination is also an outbuilding type often found in early 19th century farmsteads. By the third quarter of the 19th century, the farmstead as described in an equity sale document had most of the typical structures of a prosperous farm:

"The farm has on it a two-story and attic log house, weatherboarded, with a one story and loft log kitchen, a log meathouse, a log tenant house, and a frame stable and granary, a frame hen house and a nice dairy and a spring of never-failing water. There is a fine young orchard consisting of apples, peaches, and pears. There is water in four fields, 60 or 70 acres of the land are in timber, rock oak, black oak, and chestnut. The fencing, part post and rail and part worm, is in good condition." (Equity Record Af 6/475, 1884)

The log summer kitchen, meathouse, and tenant house have disappeared, but all other structures remain, along with the early 20th century additions of a concrete block dairy barn and milk house and a hog barn, both indicators of the change from general farming to dairying. In 1897, the log dwelling was enlarged with a vernacular addition which became its principal section and displayed the influence of the Queen Anne and the Stick Styles in this period in its decoration and polygonal bay. In 1895, the bank barn was built, with louvred vents and cupolas, the features of both functional and aesthetic design which were also indigenous to the late 19th century.

Idle Wild was the name given the farmstead by Walter Alexander England, the owner from 1885 to 1935. The property was undoubtedly a tenant farm under the ownership of Singleton and Jane Ijams Burgee from 1835 to 1869. Jane Burgee devised

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## 9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. F-7-96

Bond, Isaac. Map of Frederick County, 1858.

Land Records of Frederick County

Titus, C.O. Atlas of Frederick County, 1873

Williams, T.J.C., and Folger McKinsey. History of Frederick County, 1910. Reprinted  
Baltimore: Regional Publishing Co., 1979, 831-832

## 10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 5 acresQuadrangle name Urbana, Md.Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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### Verbal boundary description and justification

Approximately 5 acres centered on the dwelling on Tax Map 97, Parcel 47

### List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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## 11. Form Prepared By

name/title Janet L. Davis, Historic Sites Surveyor

organization Frederick County Planning &amp; Zoning Dept. date October 1993

street &amp; number 12 E. Church Street telephone 696-2958

city or town Frederick state MD 21701

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

return to: Maryland Historical Trust  
Shaw House  
21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 269-2438

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST  
DHCP/DHCD  
100 COMMUNITY PLACE  
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032-2023  
514-7600

PS-2746

## 7.1 Description (Continued)

### Outbuildings:

Dairy/meathouse: The one-story stone structure immediately west of the rear wing of the house has two rooms and a gable roof covered with corrugated metal which extends over the east elevation as a shed over the doors to the two rooms. The south end of the building was originally a meathouse, having no openings except a single vertical board door on the east. The north room was possibly used as a dairy, having plastered and whitewashed walls and a single window opening on the west elevation. In the early 20th century, the room was occupied by a black farm worker, although there is no evidence of a fireplace or stove in the building. The corrugated metal roof may conceal the site of a removed chimney, and the interior wall adjoining the meathouse has exposed lath, suggesting some change to its surface which could possibly indicate the removal of a fireplace. England family tradition named this section of the building as a slave quarter, but no clear evidence of its occupancy as a living quarter during the period prior to 1865 has been yet found in its physical structure or in documentary records. It was probably the building described in an 1884 advertisement of an equity sale of the farm as "a nice dairy", since all the other mentioned structures were either frame or log or of unidentified materials. The dairy/meathouse was probably built as early as 1830.

Chicken house: The frame chicken house is located southwest of the stone building and faces south, with vertical siding and a shed corrugated metal roof. The 1884 equity sale advertisement also listed a frame hen house, which could possibly be the extant building.

Garage: The concrete block garage has a gambrel roof covered with corrugated metal and german siding in the gables. The east elevation gable has an opening into the loft area above the concrete floor. The garage was probably built in the 1920's.

Wagon shed/corn crib: The wagon shed with flanking corn cribs is in deteriorated condition. It has a corrugated metal gable roof and vertical board siding. It is probably the building listed in the 1884 sale as a granary.

Hog barn: The frame hog barn is also in deteriorated condition and is located southwest of the bank barn. It has a gambrel roof of corrugated metal and vertical board siding. The hog barn was not mentioned in the 1884 advertisement, and separate hog barns are usually more commonly found beginning about 1915-1920, when health concerns about the separation of dairy cows from other livestock resulted in specific shelters for hogs.

Bank barn: The frame bank barn has a stone foundation and is cited in the Williams & McKinsey History of Frederick County (1910) as having been built in 1895. It has tongue-and-groove siding, a corrugated metal roof over the original wood shingles, and three louvred cupolas on the ridge. Louvred arched vents are on each elevation.

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## 7.2 Description (Continued)

Dairy barn and milk house: The rusticated concrete block dairy barn stands north of the bank barn with the one-story milk house on the northeast side. The gambrel roof is covered with standing seam metal, with metal ventilators on the ridge with metal cow cut-outs on each centered with "AAA", most probably the agricultural barn supply company which furnished the design and materials, or the design designation. The gables have german siding. The window openings have no sash, having been removed for ventilation. A concrete silo located next to the west elevation is a later, non-contributing structure. The barn and the milk house appear to date from about 1925-1930.



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### 8.1 Significance (Continued)

the farm to her daughter, Mary Ellen England, in 1869, when it was described as Division No. 3 of the Home Farm of Jane Burgee. The 1858 Isaac Bond map does not show the farm individually, and Big Woods Road had not been laid out, indicating that it was only part of a larger property, although the log dwelling and several outbuildings were certainly existing at the time. On the 1873 Titus map, J. England (John W. England, husband of Mary Ellen) is shown as the owner. The farm has thus been in the same related-family ownership by the Burgees and Englands since 1835.

Ida Wild

Lot Size, Description,  
Other Information,  
Original Tracts

Liber/Folio

Grantee

Grantor

Cost

Miscellaneous

947/139 12 Aug 74	Edwin H. England Jr. & Helen L. England	Ruth A. England, widow	186 A., 38 sq. p.		
399/321 27 Aug 35	Edwin H. & Ruth England	Walter A. & Luella England			
AF 11/54 8 Apr 1885	Walter A., Nathan J., & John W. England	Oliver Bussard et al (guardians of Walter, Nathan & John)	Nathan Nathan & John conveyed their interest to Walter JLS 7/551, 31 Jan 1895		Resurvey on Daniels Small Tract Equity 4983
Equity Record AF 6/475 1884	<p>Advertisement of Sale:</p> <p>"The farm has on it a 2-story <del>wood</del> attic log house, weatherboarded, with a one story and loft log kitchen, a log meat house, a log tenant house, and a frame stable and granary, a frame hen house and a nice dairy and a spring of never failing water. There is a fine young orchard consisting of apples, peaches, and pears. There is water in four fields, 60 or 70 acres of the land are in timber, rock oak, black oak, and chestnut. The fencing, part post and rail and part worm, is in good condition.</p> <p>Walter et al, were heirs of Mary Ellen England, died intestate, leaving 6 minor children</p>				
Equity Docket 12 Mar 1869	3373 decreed: Mary Ellen England shall Burgie, 186 A., 38 sq. p. \$2705.39		severally hold Division No. 3 of Home Town of the late Jane Mary Ellen England shall pay Sarah A. Lenthicum (Jane James Burgie, wife of Singleton Burgie)		SS 48/298
JS 48/298 28 Feb-1835	Singleton Burgie	Thomas Worthing- ton (of John)	135 1/2 A. "Resurvey on Daniels Small Tract" being the plantation whereon James Riggs resided on the 2nd day of Dec. 1826...	\$22.50 per acre	

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC

Idle Wild

AND/OR COMMON

England Farm

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

E/S Big Woods Road

6th

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

VICINITY OF

Frederick

STATE

COUNTY

Map 97 Parcel 47

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

## ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Edwin H. England Jr.

Telephone #: 663-6978

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 1, Box 116

CITY, TOWN

Ijamsville

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Md. 21754

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. Frederick County CourtHouse

Liber #: 947

Folio #: 139

STREET &amp; NUMBER

North Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Md. 21701

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS F-7-35**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

**7 DESCRIPTION**

**CONDITION**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT       | <input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOOD | <input type="checkbox"/> RUINS        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FAIR            | <input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED    |

**CHECK ONE**

- ☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

- ☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**

The England House, a large frame two and a half story Carpenter Gothic residence, built in two parts faces north from the east side of Big Woods Road.

The main facade is five bays wide; a three light and overhead transomed panelled door occupies the third bay beneath a one porch story front. Large 2/2 windows with louvered shutters are located in the remaining bays. A three bayed turret is located on the northwest corner of the building. Extending to the rear of the front main block is a three bay wide frame over log addition, which was the original part of the building. A modern door with pedimented entrance occupies the second bay on the west side. 2/2 windows with louvered shutters are located in the remaining bays. Extending from the east side of the building is a two story open gallery. A one and a half story frame addition built in the 1930's is located on the south side of the building. The cross gable slate roof is finished by a plain boxed cornice with return. A decorative vergeboard with finial is located on the center front gable.

Two corbeled brick chimneys, straddle the center front gable, a third single brick chimney is located on the end of the south addition. The entire structure is built on a high random stone foundation. The England House is used as a private residence.

A stone out building with open eaves and a tin roof is located southeast of the residence. The original wood lintels are still in existence over both entrance doors and the windows in the building. The stone structure is currently used for storage.

A nineteenth century storage shed and bank barn are located fifty yards east of the house. The barn, a common regional type wooden structure with arched louvered vents and tin roof has three decorative cupolas with finials and plain block silo pyramidal tin roof. The interior, of mortise and tenon construction is in excellent condition. The barn functions as a storage place for hay.

**8 SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES - Addition 1897	BUILDER/ARCHITECT
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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

It is difficult to determine when the original two story log part of the building was constructed since a title search is not possible past 1855. The Victorian addition and barn were built in 1897 and 1895 respectively.

Since 1869 the farm has been in the England family having been given to Mary Ellen England by Jane Burgee, her grandmother.<sup>1</sup> Idlewild the historic name of the farm; of unknown origin, is still a working dairy farm and is a good example of Frederick County family farm, which has undergone little change.

1 Frederick County Equity Records #4983 Liber A F 6, Folio 475

**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

History of Frederick County Maryland - Williams, T.J.C. Reprinted 1967  
Regional Publishing Company

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 175 Acres

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

Cherilyn Widell

ORGANIZATION

Frederick County Historic Preservation

DATE

9/6/77

STREET & NUMBER

12 East Church Street, Winchester Hall

TELEPHONE

1-301-663-8300 Ext. 266

CITY OR TOWN

Frederick

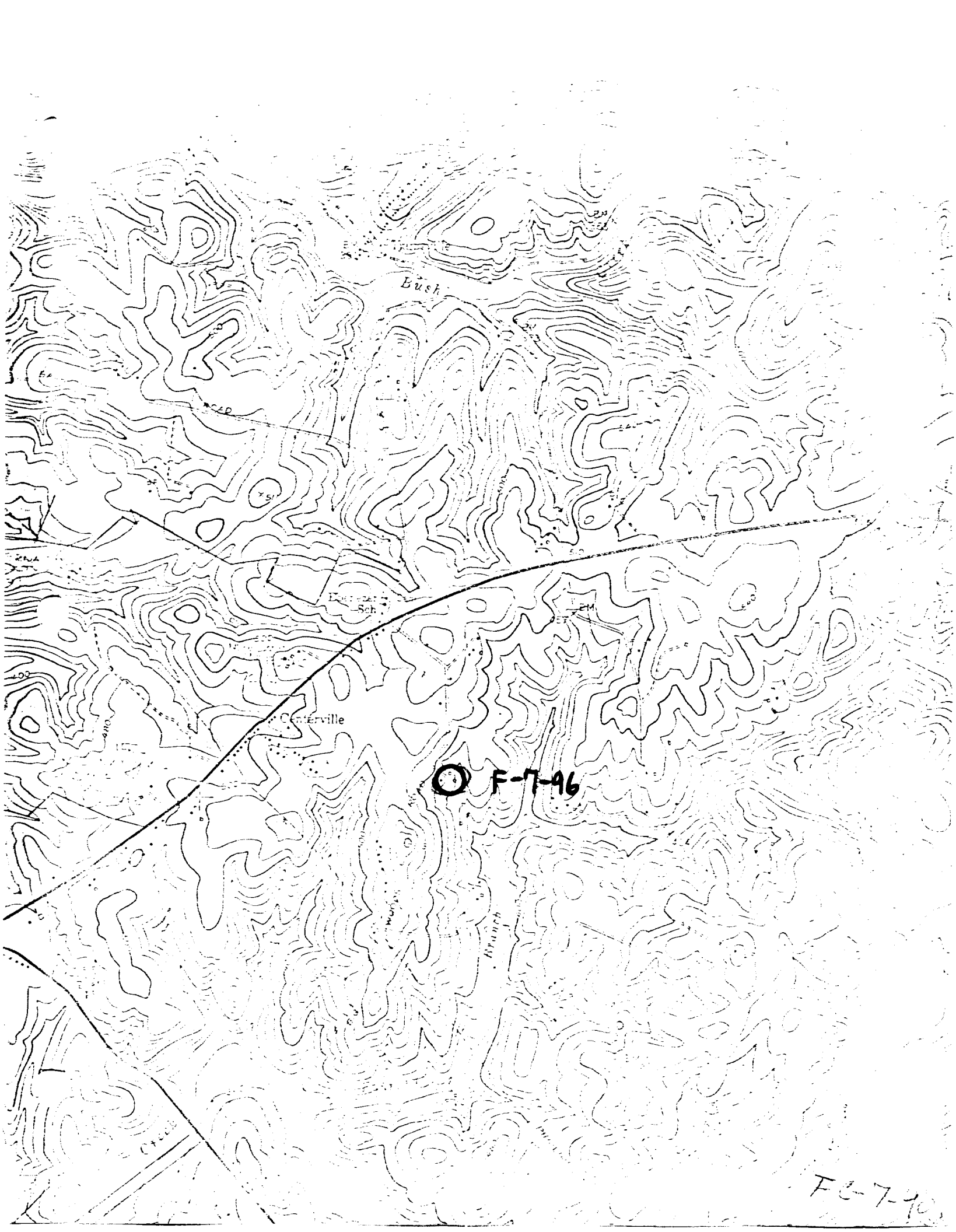
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Maryland 21701

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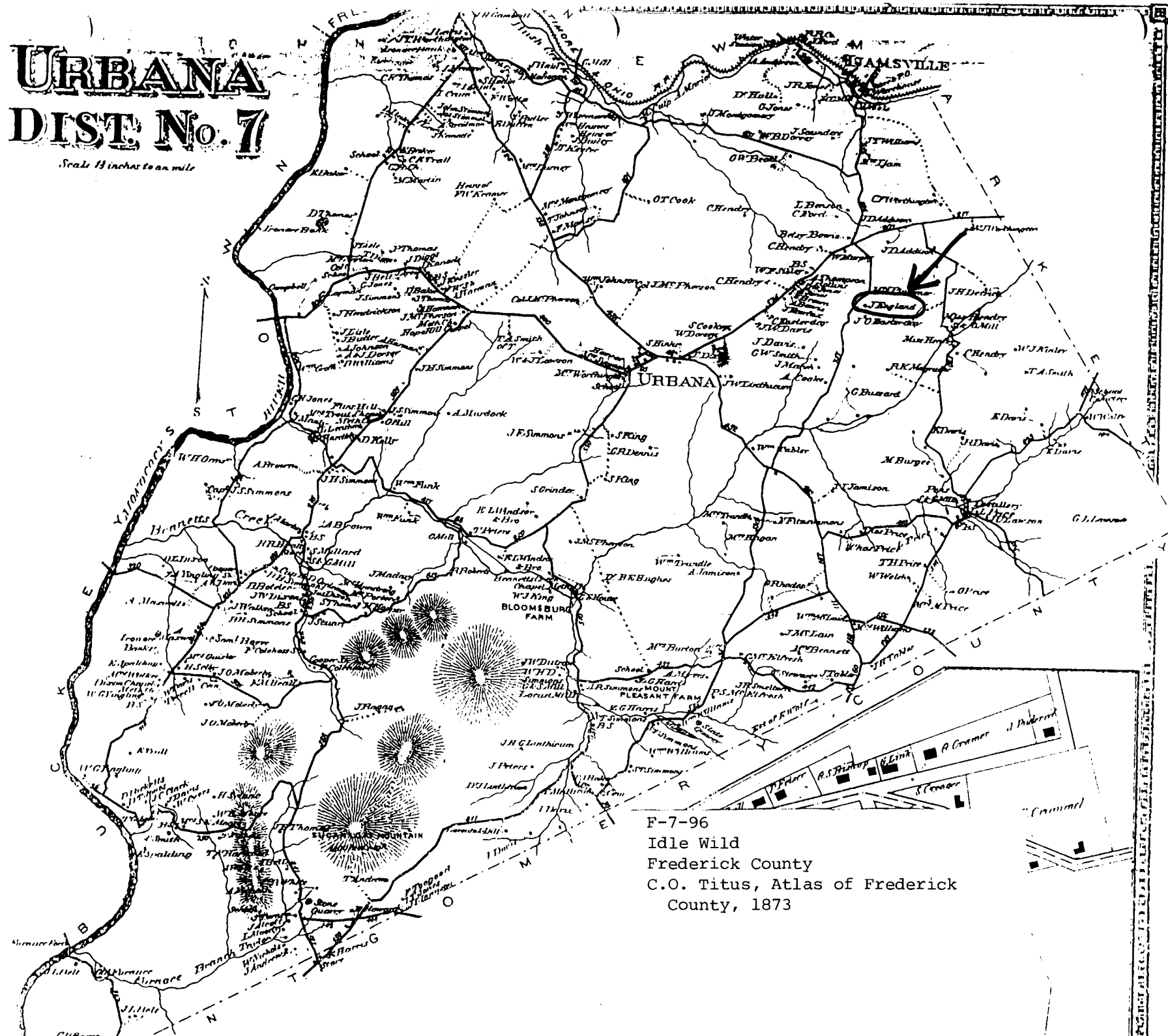


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# URBANA

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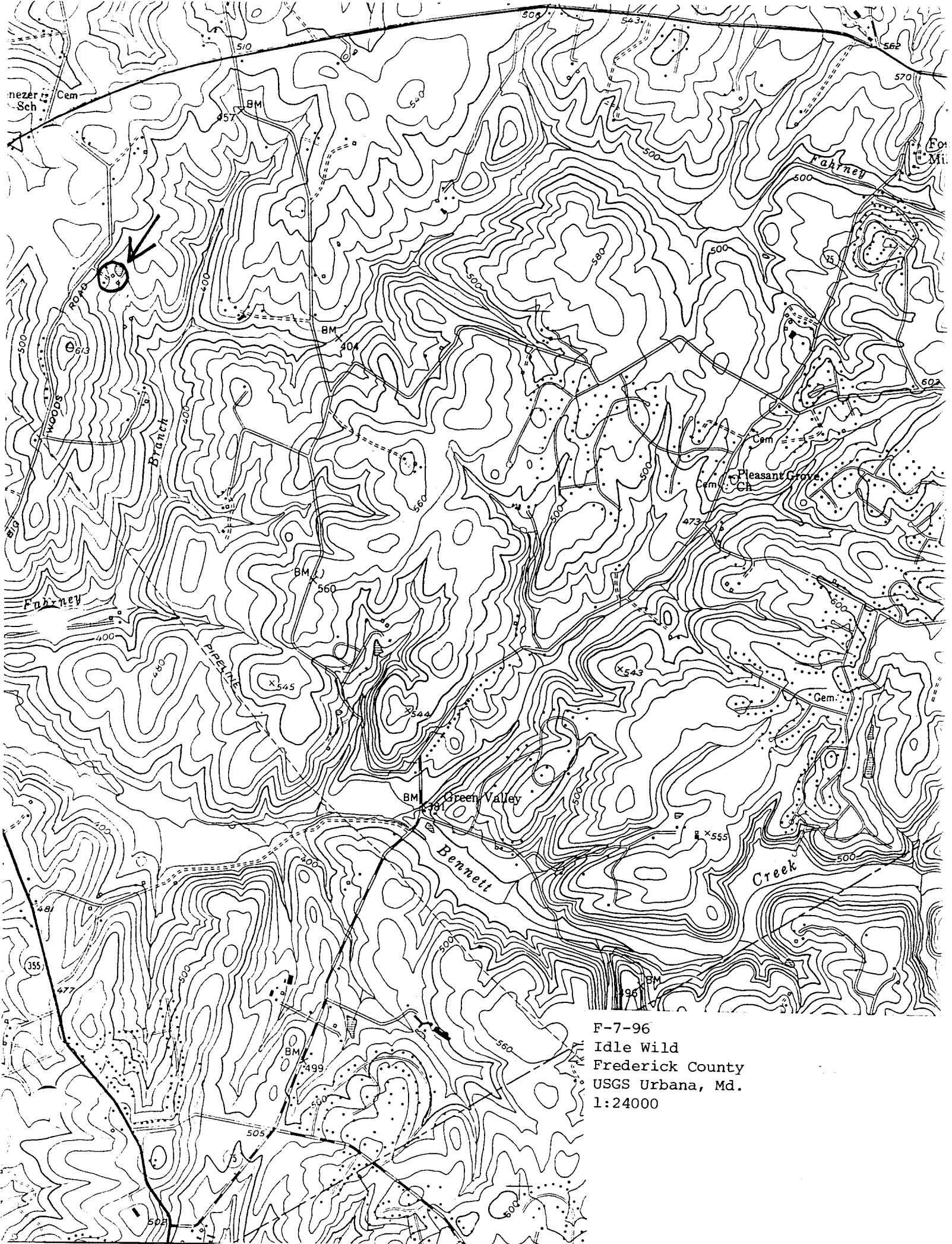
Idle Wild

Frederick County

C.O. Titus, Atlas of Frederick

County, 1873





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Frederick County  
USGS Urbana, Md.  
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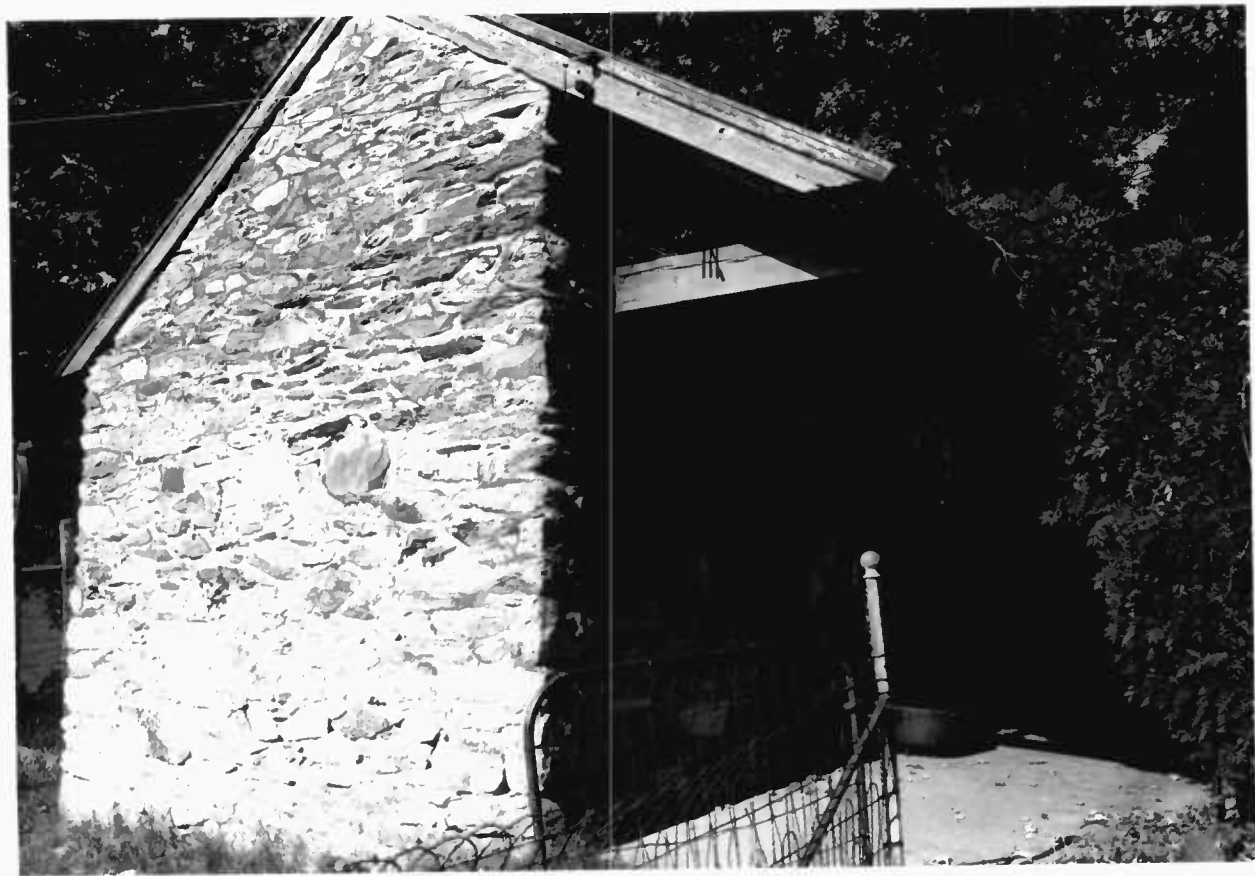


























England House Outbuilding F-7-96  
East side Big Woods Road  
URBANA  
North side





England FARM House (Idlewild)

East side Big Woods Road

Urbana

West side

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England House And out building F-7-96  
East side Big Woods Road

URBANA

East side

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England House (Iolowild) F-7-96

East side Big Woods Road

URLANA

North side







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